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SUBJ : RENEGOTIATION OF MEXICAN DEBT

1. SUMMARY : SEVERAL MEXICAN DAILIES OF FEBRUARY 9 CARRY STORY DATED AT WASHINGTON TO EFFECT THAT MEXICO WILL TRY TO OBTAIN \$600 MILLION LOAN FROM IMF AND ORGANIZE A CLUB OF PARIS GROUP TO RENEGOTIATE MEXICO'S EXTERNAL DEBT. END SUMMARY

2. SEVERAL MEXICAN PAPERS CARRIED, MOSTLY ON INSIDE PAGES, A STORY STATING THAT JLP WILL TRY TO OBTAIN A \$600 MILLION LOAN FROM THE IMF WHILE IN WASHINGTON; THAT MOCTEZUMA WILL ARRANGE FOR A FUND TEAM TO VISIT MEXICO TO STUDY THE MEASURES TO FIGHT INFLATION AND STABILIZE THE EXCHANGE RATE; AND THAT MOCTEZUMA MAY TRY TO HAVE THE FUND ORGANIZE A MEETING OF THE CLUB OF PARIS TO RENEGOTIATE MEXICO'S EXTERNAL DEBT. STORY IS ATTRIBUTED TO "FINANCIAL CIRCLES".

3. WHILE STORY SEEMS FAR-FETCHED AND SOMEWHAT CONFUSED, IT HAS ATTRACTED LOCAL INTEREST. SEVERAL EUROPEAN EMBASSIES CONTACTED FINATT RE STORY. HE SAID THAT IT HAD NO BASIS AS FAR AS HE KNEW. LOCAL BANKERS ARE ALSO LIKELY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO PICK UP STORY. WHILE BANKING COMMUNITY APPEARS WILLING TO RENEGOTIATE INDIVIDUAL CREDITS IF NECESSARY, SEVERAL HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR FEAR OF WHAT A CALL FOR GENERAL DEBT RENEGOTIATION MIGHT HAVE ON MEXICO'S ABILITY TO RAISE NEW FUNDS. THEY EVEN WORRY ABOUT WHAT IMPACT STORIES LIKE THIS, EVEN IF GROUNDLESS, MIGHT HAVE. JOVA

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